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ALSO PASS TREASURY, SEC, FRB AND JUSTICE

EO 11652: N/A
TAGS: EFIN, SZ
SUBJ: OVERSEAS DEVELOPMENT BANK

REF: BERN 937

1. BERN 937 REPORTED ON THE PURCHASE FROM SYNDIKATS AG OF AN INTEREST IN THE OVERSEAS DEVELOPMENT BANK IN GENEVA BY C F BALLY SA. THE OVERSEAS DEVELOPMENT BANK WAS OWNED BY INVESTORS OVERSEAS SERVICES PRIOR TO BEING TAKEN OVER BY SYNDIKATS.

2. THE DIRECTOF OF THE SWISS FEDERAL BANKING COMMISSION, BERNHARD MUELLER, IS INVESTIGATING THE QUESTION WHETHER THE BANK IS CONTROLLED BY FOREIGNERS, AND WOULD APPRECIATE ANY HELP WE COULD PROVIDE. ONE OF THE CONTROLLING INTERESTS IS EXCLUSIVELY OWNED BY A MRS WERNER K REY, A SWISS CITIZEN RESIDENT IN LONDON. REY IS NOT A FOREIGNER ACCORDING TO SWISS FEDERAL BANKING LAW BUT THE SWISS FEDERAL BANKING COMMISSION SUSPECTS THAT THE BANK IS CONTROLLED BY FOREIGNERS IN SOME MANNER AND IS TRYING TO DETERMINE WHETHER THIS MIGHT BE THE CASE BY LOOKING
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INTO REY'S FINANCIAL SITUATION AND CONNECTIONS. THE COMMISSION HAS ASKED THE BANK OF ENGLAND AND IS ALSO REQUESTING OUR ASSISTANCE ON THE CHANCE THAT REY'S NAME HAS TURNED UP IN ANY INVESTIGATION OR ACTION BY US AUTHORITIES.

3. REY WAS BORN ON OCT 6, 1943, EDUCATED AL-

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MOST ENTIRELY IN SWITZERLAND AND HAS WORKED FOR SWISS AND ENGLISH COMPANIES. IN SWITZERLAND HE WORKED FOR RUED, BLASS AND CIE, BANKGESCHAEFT, TALACKER 21, 8001 ZURIICH, AND IN LONDON FOR RAEL-BROOK LTD. IN 1971 HE BECAME DIRECTOR OF BANKINVEST, BANK FOR INVESTMENT AND CREDIT, ZURICH. MUELLER BELIEVES THAT REY MAY HAVE WORKED FOR OR HAVE CONNECTIONS WITH AN AMERICAN BANK OR BANKS. HE REALIZES THATTHIS NOT MUCH TO GO ON.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: PLEASE ADVISE WHETHER WE CAN HELP OR WILL NEED MORE DATA IN ORDER TO SEARCH OUR RECORDS.
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